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the following five training units 1 of the Kwangsi Military District moved from Wuming (N 23-12, E 108-15) to the Nanning suburbs: the health school of the Supply and Service Command; the veterinary school; the drivers' training unit; the mobile car training unit; and the bombing and raiding training class. These classes moved into more suitable barracks that had been constructed by the Kwangsi Military District Command at Lingt'iehts'un (0407/6993/2526), about 15 kilometers south of

Manning. The Political Department of the Kwangsi Military District was also

2. In April the Kwangsi Military District established a Tung(0302) nationality armed force, adapted to the characteristics of the Tung tribe and designed to expand the number of armed troops in the area. On 1 November the Kwangsi Military District authorized the Tung nationality self-governing district government to organize a Tung tribe self-defense army under the Kwangsi Military District and with the principal officers appointed by the Kwangsi Military District. This enlarged armed force was necessitated by the difference in language and customs within the Tung tribe and the tribe's dispersed populace. The Tung tribe was permitted to recommend persons with experience in Communist organization and executive work as deputy officers of the Tung army's principal units. The Kwangsi Military District was responsible for training the Tung army. The chief mission of the army was to maintain local order, and the army was not to participate in regular army operations although individual members could volunteer. The Tung army temporarily was to comprise 10 regiments.

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3. In early November the headquarters of the Tiung army was at Paise (N 23-55, E 106-34) and under the command of Tian Ying-chi (6009/2019/2894), a Tiung tribal member and chief of the Kwangsi Public Security Department. After the self-defense army was established, the original armed force became the Tiung tribe self-governing district force under the control of the Tiung tribe self-governing district government.

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